

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-34. (canceled)

35. (previously presented) A transgenic mouse wherein the genome of the mouse comprises a homozygous inactivation of the Toll-like Receptor 9 (TLR9) allele such that no functional N-terminal fragment of TLR9 is produced, and wherein macrophages of said mouse exhibit decreased responsiveness to CpG ODN.

36-37. (canceled)

38. (previously presented) A cell obtained from the transgenic mouse according to claim 35.